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SUBJECT: STATUS OF SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL PERSONNEL
IN WEST BERLIN

REFS: (A) BONN 10437, (B) BONN 9232

- 1. AGREED RESPONSE (REF B) WAS DELIVERED TO SOVIET CONSUL DMITRIYEV BY ACTING US PROTOCOL OFFICER IN LATTER'S OFFICE ON JUNE 28. DMITRIYEV WAS GIVEN ENGLISH TEXT AS NON-PAPER. PROTOCOL OFFICER PROVIDED INFORMAL ORAL TRANSLATION INTO GERMAN AT POINTS WHERE DMITRIYEV'S ENGLISH FAILED HIM.
- 2. DMITRIYEV WHO WAS SUBBING FOR THE VACATIONING KOZOBRODOV BUT WHO WAS FAMILIAR WITH THE SUBSTANCE OF THE PROBLEM AND EARLIER DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING IT, HAD NO DIFFICULTY GRASPING THE THRUST OF THE RESPONSE. HE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT OUR POSITION WAS ABOUT WHAT THE SOVIETS HAD EXPECTED. HE NOTED, BUT IN A PERFUNCTORY MANNER AND WITHOUT CONFIDENTIAL

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ANY DISPOSITION TO ARGUE SPECIFICS, THAT THE SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL STILL FELT THAT THE "RULE OF TEN" WAS DISCRIMINATORY AND NOT CONSISTENT WITH THE QUADRIPARTIE AGREEMENT. HE THEN OBSERVED THAT BOTH SIDES HAD MADE THEIR POSITIONS CLEAR AND THERE WAS NO POINT IN BELABORING THE QUESTION FURTHER IN THE PRESENT CHANNEL. HE ADDED, AGAIN IN A PERFUNCTORY

MANNER, THAT AFTER MOSCOW HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY OR RESPONSE, THE SOVIETS MIGHT RAISE THE MATTER AGAIN IN ANOTHER CHANNEL.

3. COMMENT: IT MAY BE TOO EARLY TO SAY WITH ASSURANCE THAT WE HAVE HEARD THE LAST FROM THE SOVIETS ON "RULE OF TEN". AT A MINIMUM, HOWEVER, IT SEEMS CLEAR THAT DMITRIYEV WAS NOT UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO USE THE OCCASION OF OUR (NOT UNEXPECTED) RESPONSE TO DEMONSTRATE ASTONISHMENT OR AGITATION. GEORGE

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